

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/572,889

Examiner: Aaron Robert Eastman

Applicant: Stones et al.

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Title: Vacuum Pumps

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Commissioner for Patents and Trademark
MAIL STOP **AMENDMENT**
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 14, 2009, for which a two-month extension is hereby requested. Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. Applicants respectfully request for reconsideration of the application based on the amendments and remarks provided.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this Amendment.